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Mr. Richard T. Thomas
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Dear Mr. Thomas:

I am enclosing a copy of the radiological survey report for the Ashland Oil Company (former Haist property), Tonawanda, New York (Enclosure 1), which was conducted in July 1976 (copies were sent to your Buffalo, New York, office on August 17, 1978). The results of the survey indicate levels of radioactive contamination above current guidelines. As noted in the report, the radioactive residues on the site do not pose a health hazard provided they (the residues) were not disturbed in the past or will not be disturbed in the future; i.e., no excavation of or building on the contaminated areas.

As a result of an aerial radiological survey (Enclosure 2) of the New York Tonawanda area conducted in September 1979 (a copy was sent to the Ashland Buffalo, New York, office on March 3, 1980), a preliminary survey of the Ashland Oil Company property northeast of the Seaway Industrial Park property, referred to as Ashland 2 (see Figure 2 of the aerial survey), was conducted. The results of the preliminary survey of Ashland 2 are enclosed (Enclosure 3).

Based on the enclosed radiological surveys data and an authority record review, the Ashland Oil Company properties at Tonawanda, New York, have been authorized for remedial action and are being included in remedial action plans by the Department of Energy/Oak Ridge Operations Office (DOE/OR), the office responsible for implementing remedial action. Your organization will be contacted by a representative of DOE/OR prior to any remedial action activities at the two sites.

If there are any questions, please contact Mr. Arthur Whitman of my staff on 301-353-5439.

Sincerely,

John E. Baublitz, Director
Division of Remedial Action Projects
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3 Enclosures

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